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- The main reason for the sudden increase of Soviet passport relinquishments in Tientsin is probably the realization on the part of a great many Russians that as Soviet citizens they have no chance of entering Argentina.
- 2. Most of those giving up pessports have applied for membership in The Russian Emigres' Association, as that organization must vouch for their political ideas and morals before the IRO will supply their passage tickets to Argentina. Although the Tientsin REA will not admit new members or reinstate old ones until they have passed through a two-year probationary period, the rush to give up Soviet citizenship continues.

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